



Citizen Complaint Form

West Allis Police and Fire Commission

For employees of the West Allis Police Department

As a citizen, if you believe you have been mistreated or have not received adequate service, you have a moral and legal right to express dissatisfaction with your police department. This will not only make you a responsible citizen, but your input will help to improve our department. No member of the West Allis Police Department will attempt to interfere or influence your right to complain about the service this department provides to you. Your complaint will be thoroughly and impartially investigated. Before completing this form, please refer to attached citizen guide brochure that explains the process and defines possible findings.

Date: _____

Complainant Information

Name: _____
(Last) (First) (Middle)

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Business: _____ Work Hours: _____

Email: _____

Officer Involved

Name, Badge #, Rank (if known) or description: _____

Incident Information

Date: _____ Time: _____ Location: _____

Witness Information

(Additional witness names can be added to the back of the form)

Name: _____
(Last) (First) (Middle)

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Business Phone: _____

Name: _____
(Last) (First) (Middle)

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Business Phone: _____

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Pursuant to Wis. Stats. Section 946.66(2), whoever knowingly makes a false complaint regarding the conduct of a law enforcement officer is subject to a Class A forfeiture.

Complainant Signature: _____
Complainant

Complaint Procedure

If you choose, your complaint may be resolved informally or formally. An informal complaint will normally be handled and resolved immediately with the officer's shift supervisor speaking with the officer and expressing your concerns to him/her. A formal complaint will require that you give your name and **sign** a Citizen Complaint Form. Subsequently, an investigation will take place.

Under most circumstances, investigation of a complaint will be completed within thirty (30) days at which time the complainant will be provided a written disposition from the Chief. If the complaint is not resolved to the satisfaction of the complainant, the complainant may either request a meeting with the Chief of Police to discuss the matter or file a written request for a hearing on the complaint with the Board of Police and Fire Commissioners of the City of West Allis. Either request must be filed within thirty (30) days of receiving written notification from the Chief regarding disposition of the complaint

West Allis Police Department – Professional Standards Unit

You can deliver or mail your completed/signed complaint form to the following address:

West Allis Police Department
Attn: Professional Standards Unit
11301 W. Lincoln Avenue
West Allis, WI 53227

Board of Police and Fire Commissioners

Pursuant to Section 62.13(5) of the Wisconsin Statutes you may, as an alternative, file your complaint directly with the Board of Police and Fire Commissioners of the City of West Allis. This complaint form can be submitted to the following address:

West Allis Police and Fire Commission
Attn: President of Police and Fire Commission
7332 W. National Avenue
West Allis, WI 53214

Unless the complaint is against the Chief, a complaint filed with the Board will be referred to the Police Chief and/or his designee for formal or informal resolution.

Police and Fire Commission Hearing Request

If the complaint is not resolved by the Chief to the satisfaction of the complainant, the complainant may request a formal hearing before the Board of Police and Fire Commissioners provided that he or she shall file a written request with the President of the Board within thirty (30) days of written notification from the Chief regarding his disposition of the complaint.

The Board of Police and Fire Commissioners shall review all investigatory reports of the incident and any supporting or conflicting documentation and in its discretion either schedule a formal hearing before the Board or place the complaint on file.